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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to last Friday's values. Elsewhere, regional prices were higher on all weights. Trade sentiment was at least steady to instances firm, usually fully steady. Demand was moderate to occasionally very good. Supplies were tight to adequate for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were short to about sufficient for the good demand. Spent hen offerings were mostly adequate for a fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were unchanged. Trade sentiment fully steady to instances firm. Retail demand was moderate to at times very good. Food service movement was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were barely adequate to tight. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings were tight to short of needs for the fairly good to good demand. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

Prices delivered to warehouse

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	100-109	103-106
LARGE	99-108	101-104
MEDIUM	68-77	70-73

Prices delivered to store door

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	107-115	108-110
LARGE	105-113	106-108
MEDIUM	74-82	75-77

Midwest Area: IA, IL, IN, KY, MN, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, eastern NY & western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were higher on extra large, large and medium eggs when compared the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was mostly fully steady entering the week. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were sufficient to close for immediate trade requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were limited for usually normal schedules. Offerings of light type hens were adequate for a fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	109-123	109-119
LARGE	103-117	108-112
MEDIUM	71-84	76-78

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, & VT

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady to instances firm. Demand was mostly moderate to at times good. Supplies were barely sufficient to close for current requirements. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were limited for the good demand. Light type hens were adequate for the fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	102.25-113	107-110
LARGE	96.25-111	105-108
MEDIUM	65.25-80	73-77

Southeast Area: AL, GL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were sharply higher for all sizes. Trade sentiment fully steady to at times firm. Retail demand was mostly moderate to at times very good. Food service movement moderate to fairly good. Supplies were barely adequate to tight. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings were tight to short of needs for the fairly good to good demand. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	111.5-120	113-116
LARGE	108.5-117	110-113
MEIDIUM	72.5-81	74-77

South Central Area: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment ranged at least steady to fully steady. Demand into all channels was moderate to instances good. Supplies were adequate to barely sufficient for present trade needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	117-121
LARGE	115-119
MEDIUM	83-87

**WESTERN** Prices were 8 cents higher for all sizes with the exception of extra large which was 7 to 8 cents higher than last week. The Pacific inventory was 3% lower than last Monday, with California down 10% and OR-WA-UT up 11%. Trade sentiment steady to instances fully steady. Demand light to moderate with offerings tight to adequate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices were 8 cents higher for all sizes. The Pacific inventory was 3% lower than last Monday, with California down 10% and OR-WA-UT up 11%. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was light to fairly good. Offerings were tight to adequate. Small benchmark price 92 cents.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	158
EXTRA LARGE	153
LARGE	145
MEDIUM	112

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 20, 2007 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 13, 2007 were 214,042 cases which was 4 percent below the prior week and 4 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	176,621	37,421	214,042

% change from the prior week.....

-0	-19	-4
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Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades higher. Offerings were tight to short of needs with demand fairly good to good. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment firm.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	67-74	67-69
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	54-61	59

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** Trading levels were unchanged to slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced to normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-JUL-07

RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
7-12.5 CENTS/LB.		9.31

AT FARM BUYER LOADING

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 16-JUL-07

RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
7.5-12 CENTS/LB.		9.47

AT FARM BUYER LOADING

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING

FOB PLANT

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**CANADIAN EGGS** QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 02, 2007

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
2.04	2.02	1.82	1.20	

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JULY 25, 2007 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
1.58	1.58	1.42	.82	

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-JULY 16, 2007

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		Northeast	No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.3	14.1	6.1	8.8	11.6	48.9
	Change	0.8	-0.4	-0.5	-1.1	0.5	-1%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.6	26.3	11.7	20.7	30.0	111.3
	Change	2.3	-5.7	-0.9	-1.7	-8.1	-11%
Large	Curr Wk	27.6	75.1	70.0	74.8	91.1	338.6
	Change	1.1	-22.7	8.6	-14.4	3.3	-7%
Medium	Curr Wk	9.9	45.0	22.6	18.5	32.0	128.0
	Change	0.3	-6.9	4.4	1.6	-1.6	-2%
Small	Curr Wk	4.5	11.2	3.0	3.1	7.7	29.5
	Change	1.4	-2.2	-1.2	-0.2	-0.2	-8%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.2	18.8	9.6	12.6	10.0	54.2
	Change	0.3	-3.3	0.3	-1.6	1.9	-4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	8.5	42.0	24.9	23.1	22.7	121.2
	Change	1.3	-10.2	4.7	1.0	-1.7	-4%
Total	Curr Wk	84.6	232.5	147.9	161.6	205.1	831.7
Percent	Change	10%	-18%	12%	-9%	-3%	-6%

## TOTAL

	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	831.7	-6%	154
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	219.1	-2%	33
Total Shell Egg	1050.8	-5%	187

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 154 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO ATL	PACIFIC	5-AREA SUMMARY
NORTHEAST	77.1	283.9	132.5	178.0	211.0
					882.5

Northeast - CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUL 13, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								11.75	FUTURE LOADS								14.75	TOTAL LOADS								26.50
		SE		NE		MW					SE		NE		MW					SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		GNR W 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00		GL W XL	--	100.50	--	104.50	--	104.25	4.00		GL W XL	--	100.50	--	104.50	--	104.25	--	4.00
GL W XL	--	--	--	101.00	92.35	--	5.50		GL W LG	--	108.00	--	104.00	--	--	1.75		GL W LG	--	108.00	--	104.00	--	--	--	1.75
GL W LG	--	--	88.50	93.00	94.29	99.00	4.50		GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00		GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W MD	--	64.25	62.00	64.50	60.00	--	2.00		GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50		GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.50																			
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	60.00	--	5.00																			
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00																			
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00																			

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUL 09, 2007-JUL 13, 2007

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
105.50								57.50								163.00							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST		LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST		LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST		LOADS
GNR W 1	83.17	--		84.75	86.22		42.00	GNR W 1	--	91.81		--	--		22.00	GNR W 1	--	--		--	--		22.00
GNR BR 1	--	--		--	--		3.00	GL W J	88.00	--		--	--		1.50	GL W J	88.00	--		103.00	105.00		1.50
GL W J	--	--		106.00	108.00		3.75	GL W XL	94.00	97.00		--	103.75		12.00	GL W XL	94.00	97.00		--	103.25		12.00
GL W XL	--	94.83		99.00	99.19		28.75	GL W LG	81.00	101.26		--	99.86		21.25	GL W LG	81.00	101.26		--	98.55		21.25
GL W LG	--	94.82		87.00	91.65		45.75	GL W MD	53.50	65.00		--	--		9.25	GL W MD	53.50	65.00		62.00	61.24		9.25
GL W MD	69.00	65.13		59.42	62.32		21.25	GL W SM	35.00	37.00		--	--		1.75	GL W SM	35.00	37.00		--	--		1.75
GL W SM	44.50	47.25		43.00	45.50		3.00	GL BR LG	--	--		--	--		.50	GL BR LG	--	--		--	--		.50
GL BR XL	--	--		--	86.56		2.25	NRBS - 39	--	--		--	61.63		7.00	NRBS - 39	--	--		--	59.20		7.00
GL BR LG	--	--		--	--		1.75																
NRBS - 48	--	--		--	--		16.00																
NRBS - 45	--	--		--	--		2.00																
NRBS - 42	--	--		--	--		5.00																
NRBS - 39	--	--		--	--		6.00																
NRBS - 36	--	--		--	--		2.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

**COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT – FROZEN EGGS** (In Thousands)

ON HAND	07/09/07	07/02/07	07/10/06
PACIFIC COAST	1	1	55
LOS ANGELES	0	0	52

**CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS** JULY 16, 2007  
(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	229 – 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 158	130 - 134
Large doz.	224 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 149	125 - 128

**NORTH CAROLINA EGGS** The market is steady on small and large, higher on the balance. Supplies are barely adequate to adequate. Retail demand is good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MOSTLY**

EXTRA LARGE	122.54
LARGE	118.50
MEDIUM	88.90
SMALL	73.00

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